Tribals and big companies in mineral sector

3163. DR. NARAYAN SINGH MANAKLAO: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been growing fight between the tribals and big companies in mineral sector in mineral rich States;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the impact of such incidence on the development scenario and in particular the FDI inflow to the country;

(d) whether any comprehensive plan has been formulated to address the problem; and

(e) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken/proposed to be taken to wean the tribals away from naxalites' influence?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH): (a) and (b) Some unrest among tribals has been reported from different States because of various factors, primarily displacement caused by large development projects including mining projects.

(c) A statement showing year-wise Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows to the country for all sectors and metallurgical sector in particular is annexed. (*See* below)

(d) The National Policy for Rehabilitation and Resettlement 2003, adopted by Government of India addresses the problems of displacement, rehabilitation and resettlement arising due to development projects. Some States also have their own policies/Acts on rehabilitation and resettlement.

(e) A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Chief Ministers of the naxal affected States was convened on 13.4.006. It was decided in the meeting that the States will take immedite policy and operational measures for speedy and effective implementation of land reforms, putting in place a progressive and forward looking rehabilitation and resettlement policy for displaced tribals, ensuring meaningful implementation of Panchayats (Extention of Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996 (PESA), withdrawing/ compounding of minor forest offences and allowing debt wiaver in the naxal affected areas.

Statement

Foreign Direct investment (FDI) inflows to the country for all sectors and metallurgical in particular from the year 2002-03 to 2005-06 *(upto Feb. 06).*

(Rs. in crores)

Sector	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06 (upto Feb.06)	Total
All India	12870.67	10064.10	14652.73	19069.46	56656.96
Metallurgical Sector	221.85	146.06	880.95	671.72	1920.57

Stipend to SC/ST students in Orissa

†3164. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes of upto class 10 who were provided stipend and the number of those who were not provided any stipend in the country, particularly in the State Orissa during the years 2004-05 and 2005-06;

(b) whether Government are aware of the fact that students belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes have dropped out for not getting stipend in the State of Orissa;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that a sum of Rs. 60.00 crores has been returned by the State of Orissa; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. KYNDIAH): (a) to (c) The Central Government does not have any scheme for providing stipend to SC/ST students upto class 10. Therefore, the question of release of funds by the Central Government to State Governments for providing stipend to SC/ST students upto class 10 does not arise.

However, the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is implementing a scheme of Pre-Matric Scholarship to the children of those engaged in unclean occupations. Under this scheme financial assistance is provided to children of Scavengers, Sweepers, Flayers and Tanners, irrespective of their caste to pursue education upto class 10. The State-wise number of

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